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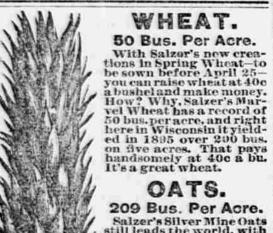
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The rat had the misfortune to be born Therefore pure in a machine shop, where only metal was used, and there was, consequently, little good food for his kind. He was brought up in penury by his parents, and after he was old enough to look out for himself, gained a precarious livelihood by looking for scraps of food accidentally left around.

It happened that the men always kept a bottle of oil uncorked, and fastened by a wire to a certain part of the maeninery. It was in constant use. One evening the thoughtful rat betook himself to a study of this bottle. It lay open temptingly before him. Its contents would make him fat and shiny,



RAT THAT USED HIS TAIL FOR A SPOON. and a social leader among his compan-

Could he not get at the oil? He scratched his head and thought harder. Then his thinking gave a brilliant result. He had a tail-what use was he making of it? This tail was an opporturity, and he had been wasting it, but now he could use it.

Immediately he inserted the long tail as far as it would go into the narrow peck o' the bottle and soaked it thoroughly in oil. Then he withdrew it and licked the oil carefully from off it. After that he repeated the same process as often as he felt hungry. A little judiciously selected wood provided the necessary solid element in this diet. He became fat and sleek and a leader

One day he was taking a copious meal of oil when he realized that he had forgotten his hereditary caution, and that a man was watching him. The man showed no sign of attacking him, but rather a pleased curiosity, and the rat therefore stayed. The result of this meeting was that in time the rat got into the habit of taking his meals in the presence of the workmen, and Largest grewers of fresh, live Grasses and Clover Seeds in the world—hence our seeds are guaranteed. You can bet on our Clover and Grass Seeds growing! And such yields—6 tons of hay per acre! Well, you see Salzer's Seeds are bred to big yields.

I that to have killed so clever a creature would have been regarded as a crime. He led a happy life, and died of oil and years

Strict Justice.

Two Arabs sat down to dinner; one had five loaves, the other three. that to have killed so clever a creature

had five loaves, the other three. A stranger passing by desired permission to eat with them, which they agreed to. The stranger dined, laid down eight pieces of money, and departed. The proprietor of the five loaves took up five pieces, and left three for the other, who objected and insisted on receiving half. The cause came before Ali, who gave the following judgment: "Let the owner of the five 'caves have seven pieces of money, and the owner of the three loaves, one; for, if we divide the eight loaves by three, they make twenty-four parts, of which he who laid down the five loaves had fifteen; whilst he who laid down three had only nine. As all fared alike, and eight shares was each man's proportion, the stranger ate seven parts of the arst man's property, and only one belonging to the other; the money in justice must be divided accordingly."

A Fortunate Man. Stranger-Is the editor in?

Sanctum Sentinel-No, sir; he has just gone out. Stranger-This makes three times I

have called to-day and each time you have told me he has just gone out.

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My Daughter Learned to Cook. We used to have old-fashioned thin's, like hominy and greens,

We used to have just common soup, made out of pork and beans; But now its buillon, consomme, and things made from a book,

And pot au feu and julienne, since my daughter's learned to cook,

We used to have a piece of beef-just ordinary meat, And pickled pig's feet, spareribs, too, and other things to eat;

While now it's fillet and ragout, and leg of mutton braised. And macaroni au gratin, and sheep's head Hollandaised.

Escallops a la Versailles-a la this and la that,

And sweetbread a la Dieppoise--it's enough to kill a cat! But while I suffer deeply, I invariably

As if I were delighted 'cause my daughter's learned to cook.

We have a lot of salad things, with dressing mayonnaise, In place of oysters, blue points, fricasseed a dozen ways.

And orange roley poley, float and peach meringue, alas-Enough to wreck a stomach that is made

of plated brass!

The good old things have passed away, in silent, sad retreat: We've lots of hig' alutin' things, but nothing much to eat.

And while I never say a word, and always pleasant look. You bet I've had dyspepsia since my daughter's learned to cook. \_Good Housekeeping.

Spiced Grapes.

Take ten pounds of ripe grapes. Pop them from the skins and cook in a preserving kettle until the seeds can be pressed out in a colander. In the mean time cook the skins in a very small quantity of clear water until they are tender. Put all together in the preserving kettle, and add four pounds of brown sugar, one-half pint cider vinegar, two tablespoonfuls of ground cinnamon, one tablespoonful ground cloves and cook slowly until quite thick-probably it will take over one hour, and will need constant watching to prevent burning. This will keep any length of time, and can be sealed or not.

Keeping Tomatoes.

Prof. Massey, of the North Carolina Experiment Station; writes the Garden and Forest that when frost is imminent he gathers the green tomatoes, wraps them separately in paper (old newspapers will answer) and packs them in boxes, which are stored in a place just warm enough to be secure from frost, the object being to keep them and not to ripen them. Then, as the fruits are wanted, a few of them are brought out at a time and placed in a warm position, where they will ripen in a few days. In this way he has kept his table supplied with sliced tomatoes up to midwinter.

Lemon Sauce.

One cup sugar and three heaping teaspoonfuls of corn starch, mix well, add two cups of boiling water and cook eight or ten minutes, stirring frequently. Add the grated rind and juice of one large lemon, and a tablespoonful of butter, and serve at once. If the water boils away and the sauce becomes too thick add a little more hot water.

The above recipes are from the American Kitchen Magazine, a fact which is sufficient guarantee of their excellence

Sauce for a Rich Pudding.

Make a rich boiled custard with a pint of hot cream, the yolks of four eggs and half a cup of sugar. Flavor with lemon, vanilla or maraschino. This is good with fruit pudding.

Helpful Hints. The juice of a pineapple cuts the

membrane from the throat of a diphtheria patient when nothing else will. A high stool or chair is of great con-

venience in a kitchen, as it enables the housewife to sit down when doing work that must be accomplished on a table. Dissolve a little salt in the alcohol

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Andiorns, lamps, candle lanterns, or anything made of the wrought iron now so much used can be freed from dirt by wiping the iron with a cotton cloth slightly dampened with kerosene oil.

If house plants become frozen, darken the room and sprinkle with water from the well, with a few drops of spirits of camphor in it. Keep the temperature at 45 degrees for twenty-four hours.

Tomatoes are almost as useful when them into slices half an inch thick, sprinkle them with salt and pepper, dip in egg, and roll in crumbs; then fry each side until brown.

Keep in the Pantry. A few cans of good soup for emergency dinners.

Canned mushrooms for sauces and meat dressings. Fresh celery seed for salads, when

celery is scarce. A nice sandwich mixture that can be quickly prepared with gravy, stock or

butter for hasty luncheons.

Canned lobster for salads and canned tongue for serving cold, and potted chicken for slicing or making sand-

wiches. A good supply of jelly and chocolate mixtures, etc., for the hasty preparation of layer cakes and pudding sauces.

TRULY A FREAK.

The Dono Represents Bird, Beast, and Reptile.

The most wonderful freak yet discovered is a product of Patagonia. The head and breast are distinctly birdlike. The beak is that of a carnivorous bird. The plumage is that of the bird of the tropics, bright red and green predominating, but all the colors of the rainbow being there. The legs, although covered with down and feathers, are distinctively animal-like in shape, the toes be-



BIRD, BEAST, AND REPTILE.

ing tipped with sharp claws. The leg and foot is like that of the raccoon. The tail is in shape a reptile's, narrowing down to a point at the tip from the size of the body. It coils its tail like a snake, and looking at that end alone one would take it for a reptile. The tail is also covered with down and very small feathers, which present a scalelike appearance. The queer bird is known as the dono.

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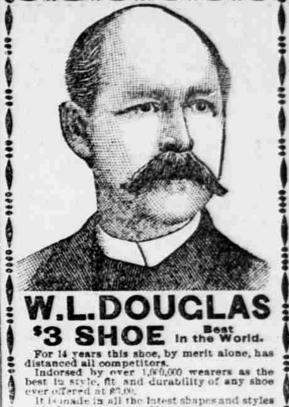
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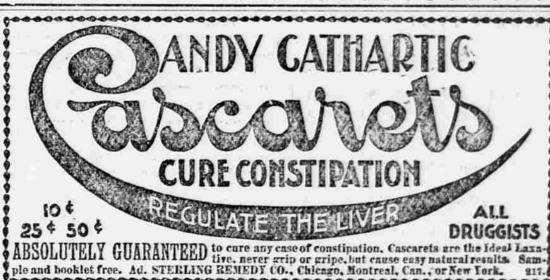


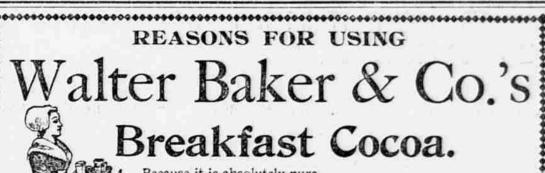
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